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## School Bus Privileges

Employees of the Stafford County School Board may ride regularly scheduled buses to and from work if no alternative transportation is available. Approved nonstudent riders may ride the bus only if their presence will not deprive a student a place on the bus.

The superintendent may permit a bus driver to be accompanied on scheduled daily bus routes by their preschool age children for whom the driver is the parent, legal quardian, or grandparent, provided that the driver executes and maintains on file in the Office of the Director of Pupil Transportation a hold harmless and release instrument that absolves the Stafford County School Board and its employees of any liability due to injury to the child or damage to the child's property. In those instances in which the driver is the grandparent of the child, then the parent/guardian shall also be required to execute and deliver to the board said hold harmless and release instrument. Safety standards and regulations must be observed, including the requirement that the child be properly seated and secured in a child safety seat when the child is a passenger on the bus. The driver shall furnish at the driver's expense a car seat for use of the child when being transported on the bus, which seat complies with all the current federal and state motor vehicle safety standards and provisions. Exceptions must be approved by the school board.

## Editor's Note

See also school board policy #5-21.

Legal Reference: Through June 30, 1997

Code of Va., §22.1-188. Definitions. (1980)

Code of Va., §22.1-192. Injury and damage covered by
policy. (1980)

Code of Va., §22.1-193. Sufficiency of proof in action on policy; quest doctrine not applicable. (1980)

Code of Va., §22.1-194. Liability of locality or school board owning or operating vehicle. (1980)

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